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RESPONSE TO THE NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed September 6, 2006, Applicants submit English translation of the foreign application PCT/JP04/05882. Applicants state that the submitted translation is an accurate translation of the PCT published application PCT/JP04/05882.

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.